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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS JUDGE COLLIER TO BOARD OF TRANSPORTATION

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley today appointed Robert A. Collier, Jr. to the North Carolina Board of Transportation. Collier, a former judge, will represent Division 12 (Alexander, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell and Lincoln counties).

“I know Judge Collier to be a man of highest character and integrity,” said Easley. “Both Mary and I prosecuted numerous cases before him during his time on the bench.” For twenty years, he served as a Senior Resident Superior Court Judge for the 22nd Judicial District. Judge Collier has also been an active member of his community. He knows the issues that are important to the people of Division 12. I am convinced that he will make an excellent board member.”

Gov. Dan Moore appointed Collier to the Superior Court in 1968 as a Senior Resident Judge, where he served for twenty years. He currently serves as the President of Interstate Development Company and Credit and Loan Company. He is also a partner with C&J Associates. Collier served as a Special Agent in the U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations from 1951-1954.

Collier is a 1957 graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill. He earned his law degree from UNC Law School in 1959. He and his wife Barbara reside in Statesville.

Collier serves in many local community groups. He was the Vice Chair of the Futures Commission for Justice and the Courts of North Carolina as well as the North Carolina Justice Association. Collier is also an active member of the NC Bar Association, serving as a member of the Administration of Justice Committee. He has previously served as a Director of the UNC Law School Alumni Association, Chair of the Admissions Committee on the UNC Law School Alumni Board, and as a member of the UNC Board of Visitors. Collier also served on numerous Morehead Scholarship selection committees at UNC-Chapel Hill.

The Board of Transportation sets transportation policies for the N.C. Department of Transportation. The Board also approves funding for highway construction and maintenance, aviation, public transportation, rail, bicycle and pedestrian programs statewide. In addition, the Board develops the department’s Transportation Improvement Program—a statewide plan that sets priorities for major transportation projects.

As required by statute, the Governor will send the name of the proposed appointee to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee for the 30-day review period.

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